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Serial No.: 09/809,920 Examiner: J. Douglas Schultz
Filed : March 16, 2001 Group Art Unit: 1635
For : TREX, A NOVEL GENE OF TRAF-INTERACTING EXT GENE
FAMILY AND DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC USES
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO AUGUST 12, 2003 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Please amend the subject application as follows:



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Transmitted herewith is an amendment to the above-identified application.

 X Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
has been established by a verified statement previously
submitted.

 A verified statement to establish small entity status under
37 C.F.R. § 1.27 is enclosed.

 X No additional fee is required.

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